

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

5    **Listing of Claims:**

Claim 1 (currently amended): A scanner comprising:

- a housing including an upper case and a lower case;
- a shaft seat positioned between the upper case and the lower case;
- a shaft set on the shaft seat;
- 10    a scanning module slidably set on the shaft;
- a lock set on the housing for fixing the scanning module; and
- a buffer pad set ~~between the shaft seat and the shaft, between the shaft seat and~~  
the upper case or lower case, or between the lock and the scanning module.

- 15    Claim 2 (original): The scanner of claim 1 wherein the buffer pad is an arc-shaped elastomer set between the shaft seat and the shaft.

Claim 3 (original): The scanner of claim 1 wherein the buffer pad is a ring-shaped elastomer set between the shaft seat and the shaft.

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Claim 4 (original): The scanner of claim 1 wherein the buffer pad is an elastomer laid on the lock and set between the lock and the scanning module.

Claim 5 (original): The scanner of claim 1 wherein the buffer pad is an elastomer set  
25    into a groove which is between the lock and the scanning module.

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Claim 6 (currently amended): A scanner comprising:

- a housing including an upper case and a lower case;
- a shaft seat set between the upper case and the lower case;
- 30    a shaft set on the shaft seat;

a scanning module slidably set on the shaft; and  
a buffer pad set between the shaft seat and the shaft ~~or between the shaft seat and  
the upper case or the lower case.~~

5     Claim 7 (original): The scanner of claim 6 wherein the buffer pad is an arc-shaped  
          elastomer set between the shaft seat and the shaft.

Claim 8 (original): The scanner of claim 6 wherein the buffer pad is a ring-shaped  
          elastomer set between the shaft seat and the shaft.

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Claim 9 (original): The scanner of claim 6 wherein the scanner further comprises a  
          bolt for fixing the scanning module.

Claim 10 (original): The scanner of claim 9 wherein the surface of the bolt is covered  
15           with an elastomer.

Claim 11 (original): The scanner of claim 9 wherein a groove that contains the bolt in  
          the scanning module is lined with an elastomer.

Claim 12 (new): A scanner comprising:

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a housing including an upper case and a lower case;  
a shaft seat set between the upper case and the lower case;  
a shaft set on the shaft seat;  
a scanning module slidably set on the shaft; and  
a buffer pad set between the shaft seat and the upper case or the lower case.

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Claim 13 (new): The scanner of claim 12 wherein the buffer pad is an arc-shaped  
          elastomer set between the shaft seat and the shaft.

Claim 14 (new): The scanner of claim 12 wherein the buffer pad is a ring-shaped  
30           elastomer set between the shaft seat and the shaft.

Claim 15 (new): The scanner of claim 12 wherein the scanner further comprises a bolt for fixing the scanning module.

- 5    Claim 16 (new): The scanner of claim 15 wherein the surface of the bolt is covered with an elastomer.

Claim 17 (new): The scanner of claim 15 wherein a groove that contains the bolt in the scanning module is lined with an elastomer.

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